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11	KIRILL RAZZHIGAEV and IGOR SHMAKOV	Case No.
12	Plaintiffs,	DEFENDANTS ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP. AND VIRTUSA CORPORATION'S
13	VS.	NOTICE OF REMOVAL UNDER 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1441 (FEDERAL QUESTION)
14	ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP., VIRTUSA CORPORATION, and DOES 1 through 10,	\$\$ 1331, 1441 (FEDERAL QUESTION)
15	Defendants.	Action Filed: 10/26/2022
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TO THE CLERK OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, AND PLAINTIFFS KIRILL RAZZHIGAEV AND IGOR SHMAKOV AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that defendants ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP. and VIRTUSA CORPORATION ("Defendants") hereby remove this action from the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda to the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1367, 1441, and 1446. In support of this removal, Defendants state as follows:

THE STATE COURT ACTION

- 1. On October 26, 2022, plaintiffs KIRILL RAZZHIGAEV and IGOR SHMAKOV ("Plaintiffs") commenced this action against Defendants by filing a Complaint in the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, entitled Kirill Razzhigaev and Igor Shmakov v. eTouch Systems Corp., Virtusa Corporation, and Does 1 through 10, Case No. 22CV020604 (the "Complaint"). The Complaint alleges claims for (1) failure to pay overtime wages in violation of sections 510, 1194, and 1198 of the California Labor Code and Wage Order 4-2001; (2) violation of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. § 201, et seq., for non-payment of overtime; (3) failure to pay all wages due at termination in violation of sections 201, 202, and 203 of the California Labor Code; and (4) violation of section 17200, et seq. of the California Business and Professions Code. A true and correct copy of the Complaint, Summons, and other documents served on Defendants is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 2. Defendant Virtusa Corporation was served with the Summons and Complaint on November 3, 2022. A true and correct copy of the Service of Process Notice provided to Virtusa Corporation by its registered agent for service of process, Corporate Creations, is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- 3. Defendants timely filed an Answer to Plaintiffs' Complaint in state court on December 5, 2022. A true and correct copy of Defendants' Answer to Plaintiffs' Complaint is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**. Upon receiving a conformed copy of the Answer, Defendants will file it with this Court.

- 4. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b), this Notice of Removal is timely filed. Notice of Removal is timely filed because the 30th day after service of the initial pleading setting forth the claims for relief upon which Plaintiffs' action is based falls on a Saturday, December 3, 2022. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6(a)(1)(C), the period for which Defendants have to file and serve this Notice of Removal is extended to "the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday," December 5, 2022 in this case.
- 5. Removal to this Court is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a) because the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, is geographically located within this Court's district and division. Further, Pursuant to Local Rules 3-2(d) and 3-5(b), this action is properly assigned to either the San Francisco or Oakland division of this Court, as Plaintiffs originally brought this action in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Alameda.
- 6. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a), copies of all process, pleadings, and orders served upon Defendant are attached as Exhibits to this Notice.
- 7. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), a copy of the original Notice of Removal, save and except the exhibits, will be filed with the Superior Court for the County of Alameda.
- 8. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), Defendants will provide notice of this removal to Plaintiffs.
- 9. **Exhibits A and C** include all documents known to Defendants to be on file with the Alameda County Superior Court in this action.

BASIS FOR REMOVAL: FEDERAL QUESTION JURISDICTION

- 10. This action is properly removable under 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a), because the United States District Court has original jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, which provides that "The district courts shall have original jurisdiction of all civil actions arising under the Constitution, laws, or treaties of the United States."
- 11. Plaintiffs' Complaint alleges that Defendants violated the federal Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. § 201, et seq., by failing to pay overtime.
- 12. By asserting claims under federal law, namely, the Fair Labor Standards Act, Plaintiffs' Complaint asserts a federal question under 28 U.S.C. §1331. Accordingly, this case is

properly removable under 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a).

SUPPLEMENTAL JURISDICTION

13. This Court has supplemental jurisdiction over Plaintiffs' state law claims for failure to pay overtime wages, failure to pay all wages due at termination, and violation of section 17200, et seq. of the California Business and Professions Code. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367, this Court has supplemental jurisdiction over all other claims that are so related to Plaintiffs' federal cause of action "that they form part of the same case or controversy under Article III of the United States Constitution." State law claims fall within this Court's supplemental jurisdiction when they share with the federal claims "a common nucleus of operative fact ... such that [the plaintiff] would ordinarily be expected to try them all in one judicial proceeding." United Mine Workers of Am. v. Gibbs, 383 U.S. 715, 725 (1966).

14. Here, Plaintiffs' state law claims relate closely to claim under the federal Fair Labor Standards Act. The claims all arise out of a common nucleus of operative facts: Plaintiffs' allegations that they were misclassified as exempt employees and therefore not paid overtime wages. Therefore, this Court has supplemental jurisdiction over Plaintiffs' state law claims pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367. Moreover, there is no reason why this Court should not exercise supplemental jurisdiction over Plaintiffs' state law claims. Plaintiffs' state law claims neither raise novel or complex issues of State law nor predominate over the claims over which this Court has original jurisdiction, and there are no exceptional circumstances or other compelling reasons for this Court to decline supplemental jurisdiction. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1367(c). Thus, removal is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1441(c).

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EXHIBIT A

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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVIȘO AL DEMANDADO):

ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP., VIRTUSA CORPORATION, AND DOES 1 THROUGH 10.

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):

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KIRILL RAZZHIGAEV and IGOR SHMAKOV

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Superior Court of California County of Alameda 10/26/2022

Chad Finke, Executive Officer / Clerk of the Court

By: X. Bowle

Deputy

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. [AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

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The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Alexei Kuchinsky, Kuchinsky Law Office, P.C., 220 Montgomery St., Suite 2100 San Francisco, CA 94104

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13	KIRILL RAZZHIGAEV and IGOR SHMAKOV,	CASE NO.: 22CV020604 COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES
14	PLAINTIFFS,	Failure to Pay Overtime Wages;
15 16	VS.	2. Violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act for Non-Payment of
17	ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP., VIRTUSA	Overtime; 3. Failure to Pay All Wages Due at
18	CORPORATION, AND DOES 1 THROUGH	Termination; and
19	10.	4. Unfair Competition.
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II. VENUE AND JURISDICTION

- 3. It is appropriate for this court to exercise jurisdiction over Defendants because they are residents of and/or are doing business in the State of California.
- 4. Venue is proper in this Court in accordance with Section 395(a) of the California Code of Civil Procedure because at all relevant times Defendants' principal place of business was situated in Newark, Alameda County, California.
 - 5. The damages sought in this matter exceed \$25,000.

III. PARTIES

A. Plaintiffs

- 6. Plaintiff Kirill Razzhigaev was, at all times mentioned herein, a natural individual, residing in the County of Santa Clara, State of California.
- 7. Plaintiff Igor Shmakov was, at all times mentioned herein, a natural individual, residing in the County of Santa Clara, State of California.
- 8. At all relevant times, Plaintiffs were hourly non-exempt employees and were entitled to all benefits and protections of California Labor Code, California Industrial Welfare Commission Occupational Wage Order No. 4-2001 (Title 8 California Code of Regulations §§11040), or other applicable Wage Order(s), and the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, 29 U.S.C. §§ 201, et seq. ("FLSA")

B. Defendants

1. Corporate Defendants

- 9. Defendant ETouch Systems Corp., is a Delaware Corporation registered with the California Secretary of State to do business in California as a corporation under the same name (Entity No. C2012620) and is doing business in the state of California. At all relevant times, ETouch Systems Corp.'s principal place of business was situated in Newark, Alameda County, California.
- 10. Defendant Virtusa Corporation is a Delaware Corporation registered with the California Secretary of State to do business in California as a corporation under the same name (Entity No. C2476756) and is doing business in the state of California. At all relevant times, Virtusa

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Corporation's principal place of business was situated in Newark, Alameda County, California.

- 11. On information and belief Plaintiffs allege that at all relevant times, all Defendants performed (either through unified operation or common control) the related activities for a common business purpose as a single enterprise. Defendants performed all such activities through one or more establishments or by one or more corporate or other organizational units. On information and belief Plaintiffs allege that at all relevant times, Defendants were and are under common ownership in that one corporate defendant so dominated and controlled the finances, policies and practices of the other corporate defendants and that the other corporate defendants were merely a conduit or instrument of the controlling corporation in pursuit of a single business venture. Therefore, disregarding the separate nature of the corporations is necessary to prevent an injustice to Plaintiffs.
- 12. On information and belief Plaintiffs allege that at all relevant times, that all corporate Defendants participated in a common venture or in a similar or functionally reciprocal business; they have identical equitable ownership; common directors, officers, and employees; share the same resources, pool assets and revenues, or use of one corporation's financial resources to pay or guaranty the other's obligations. Defendants jointly benefit from transactions entered into by one of them. Defendants used common management and financial control, and their operations depended on each other.

2. Doe Defendants

13. The true names and capacities of Defendants Does 1 through 10, inclusive, are currently unknown to Plaintiffs, whom, therefore, Plaintiffs sues by their fictitious names. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that each of those Defendants was in some manner responsible for the events and happenings alleged in this complaint and for Plaintiffs' injuries and damages.

IV. GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 14. Defendants own, operate, and manage a technology company under the fictitious business name "eTouch" or "Virtusa."
 - 15. From September 17, 2017 through October 19, 2021 ("Razzhigaev's Employment Period"),

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Defendants employed Plaintiff Razzhigaev as phone and test technicians.

16. From April 2, 2018 through August 20, 2021, ("Shmakov's Employment Period"), Defendants employed Plaintiff Shmakov as a test engineer.

- 17. During their respective employment periods, Defendants jointly employed Plaintiffs. They jointly exercised control over the wages, hours, or working conditions of Plaintiffs. They jointly engaged, suffered, or permitted Plaintiffs to work under working conditions described herein. During the relevant employment period, Defendants jointly had control or the right to control Plaintiffs both as to the work done and the manner and means in which Plaintiffs' work was performed.
- 18. According to Defendants' employment offers, Plaintiff Razzhigaev was hired as a Senior Consultant, engaged as a Project Resource. Plaintiff Shmakov was hired as a test engineer. During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, Defendants misclassified Plaintiffs as exempt employees and as a result, denied Plaintiffs the benefits and protections of California Labor Code, the applicable Industrial Welfare Commission Order, California Code of Regulations, Title 8, section 11040. During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, Plaintiffs were nonexempt employees entitled to the protections of California Labor Code, the applicable Industrial Welfare Commission Order, California Code of Regulations, Title 8, section 11040.
- 19. For services provided, Defendants paid Plaintiffs an hourly rate ranging from \$45 to \$62 depending on the employment period.
- 20. Plaintiffs worked more than forty (40) hours in a workweek and/or more than eight (8) hours in a workday. At times, Plaintiffs worked more than twelve hours in a workday. Defendants have had actual or constructive knowledge that Plaintiffs had been working overtime. Defendants failed to pay Plaintiffs the overtime wages required under California and federal law at least oneand one-half times the employee's regular rate for all overtime work. Plaintiffs estimates that During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, he worked at least 3,286 hours that constitute as overtime under Labor Code section 510. Defendants failed to pay Plaintiffs the overtime wages required under California law.
 - 21. As phone and test technicians, Plaintiffs were responsible for preparing mobile phones for

the service line. Plaintiffs' core responsibilities included primarily installation, configuration, and the upgrade of mobile operating systems or applications on various cell phones.

- 22. During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, as phone and test technicians, Plaintiffs did not and were not expected to primarily engage in work that was intellectual or creative and that required the exercise of discretion and independent judgment.
- 23. During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, as phone and test technicians, Plaintiffs did not and were not expected to apply systems analysis techniques and procedures. They did not and were not expected to design, development, documentation, analysis, creation, testing, or modification of computer systems or programs, including prototypes, based on and related to user or system design specifications.
- 24. During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, as phone and test technicians, Plaintiffs did not and were not expected to document, test, create, or modify computer programs related to the design of software or hardware for computer operating systems.
- 25. During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, all tasks performed by Plaintiffs were completed according to highly detailed instructions provided by Defendants. All of Plaintiffs' duties could have been performed by any person who could read English and follow instructions. Plaintiffs' jobs did not require any skills and proficient knowledge in either the theoretical and practical application of highly specialized information to computer systems analysis, programming, or software engineering.
- 26. During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, as phone and test technicians, Plaintiffs simply engaged in the operation, repair, and maintenance of mobile phones.
- 27. During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, None of the exemptions listed in Wage Order No. 4-2001 section 1(A) and Labor Code section 515.5 were applicable to Plaintiffs.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

Failure to Pay Overtime Wages

(Cal. Labor Code §§ 510, 1194, 1198 and Wage Order 4-2001

(Plaintiffs Against All Defendants)

28. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference as though fully set forth herein the preceding paragraphs

of this Complaint.

- 29. At all relevant times, Defendants were employers subject to California Labor Code section 510 and California Industrial Welfare Commission Wage Order 4-2001, which include provisions setting forth the definition of overtime and the amount of compensation to be paid to an employee that works overtime.
- 30. At all relevant times, Plaintiffs were non-exempt employees of Defendants under California law.
- 31. At all relevant times, Defendants were required to compensate Plaintiffs for all overtime work performed, at one and one-half (1 ½) times the regular rate of pay for hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day and/or forty (40) hours per week (whichever was greater), and for the first eight (8) hours on the seventh (7th) consecutive day of any work week. Additionally, Defendants were required to compensate Plaintiffs with double time after twelve (12) hours in a single workday and after eight (8) hours on the seventh (7th) consecutive day of any work week.
- 32. On more than one occasion, Defendants engaged, suffered, or permitted Plaintiffs to work in excess of eight (8) hours in a day.
- 33. On more than one occasion, Defendants engaged, suffered, or permitted Plaintiffs to work in excess of forty (40) hours a week.
- 34. On more than one occasion, Defendants engaged, suffered, or permitted Plaintiffs to work (12) hours in a single workday and more than eight (8) hours on the seventh (7th) consecutive day of any work week.
- 35. Furthermore, During the relevant employment period, Defendants hired and required Plaintiffs to perform job duties and assignments that do not satisfy the exempt requirements of Labor Code or the appliable wage order, including the Wage Order No. 4.
- 36. Defendants have failed to pay Plaintiffs an overtime premium for every hour of overtime that Defendant engaged, suffered, or permitted Plaintiffs to work in violation of Labor Code section 1194.
- 37. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' wrongful acts and omissions alleged herein, Plaintiffs have suffered actual damages in an amount subject to proof at trial. Plaintiffs

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have incurred and will continue to incur attorney's fees as a result of prosecuting this cause of action.

- 38. Furthermore, Labor Code section 204(a) provides in pertinent part that
 - (a) All wages, other than those mentioned in Section 201, 201.3, 202, 204.1, or 204.2, earned by any person in any employment are due and payable twice during each calendar month, on days designated in advance by the employer as the regular paydays. Labor performed between the 1st and 15th days, inclusive, of any calendar month shall be paid for between the 16th and the 26th day of the month during which the labor was performed, and labor performed between the 16th and the last day, inclusive, of any calendar month, shall be paid for between the 1st and 10th day of the following month. However, salaries of executive. administrative, and professional employees of employers covered by the Fair Labor Standards Act, as set forth pursuant to Section 13(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act, as amended through March 1, 1969, in Part 541 of Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as that part now reads or may be amended to read at any time hereafter, may be paid once a month on or before the 26th day of the month during which the labor was performed if the entire month's salaries, including the unearned portion between the date of payment and the last day of the month, are paid at that time.
- 39. Defendants failed to comply with the requirement of Labor Code section 204 when they failed to pay Plaintiffs overtime once or twice during each month. This violation was willful and intentional. As such, Plaintiffs seeks all statutory penalties provided by Labor Code section 210.
 - 40. Wherefore, Plaintiffs pray for relief as set forth below.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

Violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act for Non-Payment of Overtime

(29 U.S.C. §§ 201, et. seq.)

(Plaintiffs Against All Defendants)

- 41. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference as though fully set forth herein the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 42. 29 U.S.C. § 203(s) states that the provisions of the FLSA applies to all entities, institutions or businesses which employ persons involved in interstate commerce and whose annual gross

volume of sales is not less than \$500,000.

- 43. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that at all relevant times, each Defendant has been, and continues to be, an "employer" engaged in interstate "commerce" and or in the production of "goods" for "commerce," within the meaning of the FLSA, 29 USC § 203. At all relevant times, Defendants have employed Plaintiffs. At all relevant times, Defendants have had gross operating revenues in excess of \$500,000.
- 44. At all relevant times herein, Plaintiffs' employment with Defendants were subject to the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, 29 U.S.C. §§ 201, et seq. ("FLSA") by virtue of Defendants' direct involvement in interstate commerce.
- 45. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that Defendants are an "enterprise engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce" as those terms are defined in the statute and as interpreted by courts, and therefore Defendants are subject to, and must comply with, the provisions of the FLSA. Further, During Plaintiffs' respective Employment Periods, Plaintiffs used interstate instrumentalities of commerce as a regular and recurrent part of his employment duties.
- 46. 29 U.S.C. § 207, requires all employees to be paid overtime compensation for work performed in excess of forty (40) hours per week, unless specifically exempted by the law.
- 47. Although Plaintiffs were not exempt under the FLSA during their employment with Defendants, Defendants knowingly caused and permitted Plaintiffs to regularly work in excess of forty (40) hours per week without paying Plaintiffs one and one half (1 ½) times Plaintiffs' regular rate of pay. Defendants were fully aware of the hours worked by and the duties assigned to Plaintiffs.
- 48. By not paying overtime compensation in compliance with the FLSA, Defendants violated Plaintiffs' rights under 29 U.S.C. §§ 201, et seq.
- 49. Defendants intentionally failed to pay Plaintiffs overtime compensation, and thus Defendants are liable to Plaintiffs for overtime compensation and liquidated damages in an amount equal to unpaid overtime compensation, pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b) of the FLSA.
 - 50. Plaintiffs were required to retain an attorney for bringing this action and is entitled to an

award of reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b).

- 51. Plaintiffs seek damages in the amount of their respective unpaid overtime compensation, and liquidated damages, attorney's fee and cost, as provided by the FLSA, 29 U.S.C. §§ 216(b), 255 and such other legal and equitable relief as the Court deems just and proper.
 - 52. Wherefore, Plaintiffs pray for relief as set forth below.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

Failure to Pay All Wages Due at Termination

(Cal. Labor Code §§ 201, 202, 203)

(Plaintiffs Against All Defendants)

- 53. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference as though fully set forth herein the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 54. Labor Code section 202 provides that an employer is required to provide an employee who resigns with all unpaid wages within 48 hours of resignation. Under Labor Code section 203, if an employer willfully fails to pay such wages, for every day that final wages or any part of the final wages remain unpaid, the employer is liable for a penalty equivalent to the employee's daily wage, for a maximum of 30 days.
- 55. Plaintiffs resigned on or about August 19, 2021 and were entitled to all unpaid wages at the time of their resignation, including unpaid overtime. (Cal. Lab. Code § 202) Defendants, however, as described above, willfully failed and refused to pay Plaintiffs all accrued wages owed, including unpaid overtime, within 48 hours of resignation, as required under California Labor Code section 202.
- 56. Since the date of Plaintiffs' respective resignations, Plaintiffs have been available and ready to receive the wages due and owing Plaintiffs. Plaintiffs have not refused to receive any payment from Defendants.
- 57. Defendants' failure to pay the wages due and owing Plaintiffs were willful in that Plaintiffs have made a demand for this payment but Defendants have refused to pay any portion of the amount due and owing Plaintiffs.
 - 58. Defendants' willful failure to pay Plaintiffs' wages constitutes a violation of Labor Code

section 203 that provides that an employee's wages will continue as a penalty until paid up to 30 days from the time the wages were due. Therefore, Plaintiffs are entitled to a penalty in the amount of their daily wage rate multiplied by 30 days.

- 59. Pursuant to Labor Code section 1194, Plaintiffs request the court to award Plaintiffs' reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in this action.
 - 60. Wherefore, Plaintiffs pray for relief as set forth below.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Unfair Competition

[Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200 et. seq.]

(Plaintiffs against All Defendants)

- 61. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference as though fully set forth herein the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 62. Plaintiff Razzhigaev is a "person" within the meaning of California Business and Profession Code section 17204 and has standing to bring this claim for equitable relief.
- 63. Plaintiff Shmakov is a "person" within the meaning of California Business and Profession Code section 17204 and has standing to bring this claim for equitable relief.
- 64. At all relevant times, Defendants were conducting business under the laws of the State of California. In conducting their businesses, Defendants were obligated to comply with federal and California laws.
- 65. California Business and Profession Code sections 17200 et. seq. ("UCL"), defines unfair competition to include any "unlawful," "unfair," or "fraudulent" business act or practice. Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200.
- 66. Beginning at an exact date unknown to Plaintiffs, but at least four years before the filing of this action, Defendants have engaged in unfair competition as defined by the UCL by, and as further described above, including but not limited to violating various sections of the California Labor Code, including but not limited to: 1194, 510, 200, 202, 203, and 204, as alleged above.
- 67. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that it is the regular practice of Defendants to misclassify employees as exempt to avoid paying overtime compensation, and other

wages upon termination to their employees thereby disregarding their employment rights and violating other applicable laws.

- 68. Plaintiffs have suffered injuries in fact and has lost money as a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unfair competition, including, but not limited to, money due to him as overtime compensation, bonus, and reimbursements. This money has been acquired by Defendants by means of its unfair competition within the meaning of the UCL.
- 69. As a result of Defendants unfair business practices, Defendants have reaped unfair benefits and illegal profits at the expense of Plaintiffs. Defendants should be made to disgorge their ill-gotten gains and restore such monies to Plaintiffs.
- 70. Under California Business and Profession Code section 17203, Defendants' unfair business practices entitle Plaintiffs to seek injunctive relief, including but not limited to, orders that the Defendants account for, disgorge and restore to Plaintiffs the compensation unlawfully withheld from him, for the last four years together with interest thereon, as well as costs.
- 71. The conducts of Defendants, as alleged herein, have been and continue to be deleterious to Plaintiffs and the general public.
- 72. Defendants are liable for attorney fees under Civil Code section 1021.5 as this action confers a benefit on the general public in ensuring Defendants are prohibited from engaging in unfair business practices, as alleged herein.
 - 73. Wherefore, Plaintiffs pray for relief as set forth below.

V. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment against all Defendants as follows:

- 1) For unpaid overtime compensation;
- 2) For liquidated damages in an amount equal to unpaid overtime compensation, pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b) of the FLSA.
 - 3) Waiting time penalties under Labor Code Section 203;
 - For all applicable statutory damages pursuant to Labor Code section 210;
- 5) For restitution as provided by Business and Professions Code § 17200 et seq. and for an order requiring Defendants jointly and severally to restore and disgorge all funds to

Plaintiffs by means of any act or practice declared by this Court to be unlawful, unfair or fraudulent and, therefore, constituting unfair competition under Business and Professions Code §17200 et seq. as set forth above;

- 6) Pre-judgment interest at the maximum legal rate;
- 7) Reasonable attorney's fees under Labor Code sections 1194, 218.5, 29 U.S.C. §§ 216(b) and Civil Code section 1021.5.
 - 8) For costs of this suit;
 - 9) For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.
- 10) For purposes of a default judgment and prove-up hearing, each Plaintiff seeks to recover \$200,000.

Dated: October 26, 2022

KUCHINSKY LAW OFFICE, P.C.

Alexei Kuchinsky

Attorney for Plaintiffs Razzhigaev and

Shmakov

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ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar Alexei Kuchinsky (State Bar No. 279405)	number, and address):	FOR COURT USE ONLY			
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ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Kirill Razzhigaev and		Superior Court of California,			
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CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET	Complex Case Designation	CASE NUMBER:			
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Uninsured motorist (46)	Rule 3.740 collections (09)	Antitrust/Trade regulation (03)			
Other PI/PD/WD (Personal Injury/Property	Other collections (09)	Construction defect (10)			
Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort	insurance coverage (18)	Mass tort (40)			
Asbestos (04)	Other contract (37)	Securities litigation (28)			
Product liability (24)	Real Property	Environmental/Toxic tort (30)			
Medical malpractice (45)	Eminent domain/Inverse	Insurance coverage claims arising from the			
Other PI/PD/WD (23)	condemnation (14) Wrongful eviction (33)	above listed provisionally complex case types (41)			
Non-PI/PD/WD (Other) Tort	041	Enforcement of Judgment			
Business tort/unfair business practice (07)	Unlawful Detainer	Enforcement of judgment (20)			
Civil rights (08) Defamation (13)	Commercial (31)				
Fraud (16)	Residential (32)	Miscellaneous Civil Complaint			
Intellectual property (19)	Drugs (38)	RICO (27)			
Professional negligence (25)	Judicial Review	Other complaint (not specified above) (42)			
Other non-PI/PD/WD tort (35)	Asset forfeiture (05)	Miscellaneous Civil Petition			
Employment (65)	Petition re: arbitration award (11)	Partnership and corporate governance (21)			
Wrongful termination (36)	Writ of mandate (02)	Other petition (not specified above) (43)			
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F. ADDENDUM TO CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET

Short Title:	Case Number:
Kirill Razzhigaev et al. vs. ETouch Systems Corp. et al.	

CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET ADDENDUM

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WD Tort	Product liability (24)	[]	89	Product liability (not asbestos or toxic tort/environmental) (G)	
	Medical malpractice (45)	[]	97	Medical malpractice (G)	
	Other PI/PD/WD tort (23)		33	Other PI/PD/WD tort (G)	A
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WD Tort	Civil rights (08)	[]	80	Civil rights (G)	
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	Fraud (16)	[]	24	Fraud (G)	
	Intellectual property (19)	[]	87	Intellectual property (G)	
	Professional negligence (25)		59	Professional negligence - non-medical (G)	
	Other non-PI/PD/WD tort (35)		03	Other non-PI/PD/WD tort (G)	
Employment	Wrongful termination (36)	[]	38	Wrongful termination (G)	
	Other employment (15)	[X]	85	Other employment (G)	
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Contract	Breach contract / Wrnty (06)	[]	04	Breach contract / Wrnty (G)	
	Collections (09)	[]	81	Collections (G)	
	Insurance coverage (18)	[]	86	Ins. coverage - non-complex (G)	
	Other contract (37)	[1]	98	Other contract (G)	
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	Writ of Mandate (02)		49	Writ of mandate	
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	Other judicial review (39)		64	Other judicial review	
Provisionally	Antitrust / Trade regulation (03)	[]	77	Antitrust / Trade regulation	
Complex	Construction defect (10)	[]	82	Construction defect	
	Claims involving mass tort (40)	[]	78	Claims involving mass tort	
	Securities litigation (28)	[]	91	Securities litigation	
	Toxic tort / Environmental (30)	[1]	93	Toxic tort / Environmental	
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PLAINTIFF(S): Kirill Razzhigaev et al	Chad Flake, Executive Officer/Clerk of the Court By:	
DEFENDANT(S):	X. Bowie	
ETouch Systems Corp. et al		
NOTICE OF CASE ASSIGNMENT	CASE NUMBER:	
NOTICE OF CASE ASSIGNMENT	22CV020604	

THIS FORM IS TO BE SERVED WITH THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Pursuant to Rule 3.734 of the California Rules of Court and Title 3 Chapter 2 of the Local Rules of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, this action is hereby assigned by the Presiding Judge for all purposes to:

ASSIGNED JUDGE: Patrick McKinney

DEPARTMENT:

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LOCATION:

Rene C. Davidson Courthouse

Administration Building, 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

PHONE NUMBER:

(510) 267-6931

FAX NUMBER:

EMAIL ADDRESS: Dept15@alameda.courts.ca.gov

Under direct calendaring, this case is assigned to a single judge for all purposes including trial.

Please note: In this case, any challenge pursuant to Code of Civil Procedures section 170.6 must be exercised within the time period by law. (See Code of Civ. Proc. §§ 170.6, subd. (a.)(2) and 101.3)

NOTICE OF NONAVAILABILITY OF COURT REPORTERS: Effective June 4, 2012, the court will not provide a court reporter for civil law and motion hearings, any other hearing or trial in civil departments, or any afternoon hearing in Department 201 (probate). Parties may arrange and pay for the attendance of a certified shorthand reporter. In limited jurisdiction cases, parties may request electronic recording. Amended Local Rule 3.95 states: "Except as otherwise required by law, in general civil case and probate departments, the services of an official court reporter are not normally available. For civil trials, each party must serve and file a statement before the trial date indicating whether the party requests the presence of an official court reporter."

GENERAL PROCEDURES

Following assignment of a civil case to a specific department, all pleadings, papers, forms, documents and writings can be submitted for filing at either Civil Clerk's Office, located at the Rene C. Davidson Courthouse, Room 109, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, California, 94612, and the Hayward Hall of Justice, 24405 Amador Street, Hayward, California, 94544 and through Civil e-filing. Information regarding Civil e-filing can be found on the courts website. All documents, with the exception of the original summons and the original civil complaint, shall have clearly typed on the face page of each document, under the case number, the following:

ASSIGNED FOR ALL PURPOSES TO JUDGE Patrick McKinney DEPARTMENT 15

All parties are expected to know and comply with the Local Rules of this Court, which are available on the court's website at http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/Pages.aspx/Local-Rules(1) and with the California Rules of Court, which are available at www.courtinfo.ca.gov.

Parties must meet and confer to discuss the effective use of mediation or other alternative dispute processed (ADR) prior to the Initial Case Management Conference. The court encourages parties to file a "Stipulation to Attend ADR and Delay Initial Case Management Conference for 90 Days." The court's website contains this form and other ADR information. If the parties do not stipulate to attend ADR, the parties must be prepared to discuss referral to ADR at the Initial Case Management Conference.

COURT RESERVATIONS

The use of the Court Reservation System (CRS) is now mandated in many civil courtrooms within the Alameda County Superior Court. Instead of calling or emailing the courtroom to make a reservation, parties with a case assigned to a courtroom using CRS are directed to utilize CRS to make and manage their own reservations, within parameters set by the courtrooms. CRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week and reservations can be made from a computer or smart phone. Please note, you are prohibited from reserving more than one hearing date for the same motion.

Prior to scheduling any motion on CRS, including any Applications for Orders for Appearance and Examination, or continuing any motion, please review the online information (if any) for the courtroom in which you are reserving. There may be specific and important conditions associated with certain motions and proceedings. Information is available on the court's eCourt Public Portal at www.eportal.alameda.courts.ca.gov.

Chad Finke, Executive Officer / Clerk of the Court

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X. Bowie, Deputy Clerk

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA Reserved for Clerk's File Stamp **COUNTY OF ALAMEDA** FILED Superior Court of California COURTHOUSE ADDRESS County of Alameda Rene C. Davidson Courthouse Administration Building, 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612 10/26/2022 Chad Flake, Executive Officer / Clerk of the Count Kirill Razzhigaev et al DEFENDANT: By. **(2)** ETouch Systems Corp. et al X. Bowie CASE NUMBER NOTICE OF CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE 22CV020604

TO THE PLAINTIFF(S)/ATTORNY(S) FOR PLAINTIFF(S) OF RECORD:

You are ordered to serve all named defendants and file proofs of service on those defendants with the court within 60 days of the filing of the complaint (Cal. Rules of Court, 3.110(b)).

Give notice of this conference to all other parties and file proof of service.

Your Case Management Conference has been scheduled on:

Date: 03/14/2023

Time: 1:30 PM

Dept.: 15

Location: Rene C. Davidson Courthouse

Administration Building, 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

TO DEFENDANT(S)/ATTORNEY(S) FOR DEFENDANT(S) OF RECORD:

The setting of the Case Management Conference does not exempt the defendant from filing a responsive pleading as required by law, you must respond as stated on the summons.

TO ALL PARTIES who have appeared before the date of the conference must:

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, 3.725, a completed Case Management Statement (Judicial Council form CM-110) must be filed and served at least 15 calendar days before the Case Management Conference. The Case Management Statement may be filed jointly by all parties/attorneys of record or individually by each party/attorney of record.

Meet and confer, in person or by telephone as required by Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.724.

Post jury fees as required by Code of Civil Procedure section 631.

If you do not follow the orders above, the court may issue an order to show cause why you should not be sanctioned under Cal. Rules of Court, rule 2.30. Sanctions may include monetary sanctions, striking pleadings or dismissal of the action.

The judge may place a Tentative Case Management Order in your case's on-line register of actions before the conference. This order may establish a discovery schedule, set a trial date or refer the case to Alternate Dispute Resolution, such as mediation or arbitration. Check the court's eCourt Public Portal for each assigned department's procedures regarding tentative case management orders at https://eportal.alameda.courts.ca.gov.

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DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: ETouch Systems Corp. et al	X. Bowie		
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING	CASE NUMBER: 22CV020604		

I, the below-named Executive Officer/Clerk of the above-entitled court, do hereby certify that I am not a party to the cause herein, and that on this date I served the Notice of Case Management Conference upon each party or counsel named below by placing the document for collection and mailing so as to cause it to be deposited in the United States mail at the courthouse in Oakland, California, one copy of the original filed/entered herein in a separate sealed envelope to each address as shown below with the postage thereon fully prepaid, in accordance with standard court practices.

Alexei Kuchinsky Alexei Kuchinsky 220 Montgomery St., Ste 2100 San Francisco, CA 94104

Dated: 10/31/2022

Chad Finke, Executive Officer / Clerk of the Court

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X. Bowie, Deputy Clerk

By:



# Superior Court of California, County of Alameda Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Information Packet

The person who files a civil lawsuit (plaintiff) must include the ADR Information Packet with the complaint when serving the defendant. Cross complainants must serve the ADR Information Packet on any new parties named to the action.

The Court *strongly encourages* the parties to use some form of ADR before proceeding to trial. You may choose ADR by:

- Indicating your preference on Case Management Form CM-110;
- Filing the Stipulation to ADR and Delay Initial Case Management Conference for 90 Days (a local form included with the information packet); or
- Agree to ADR at your Initial Case Management Conference.

**QUESTIONS?** Call (510) 891-6055. Email <a href="mailto:adrprogram@alameda.courts.ca.gov">adrprogram@alameda.courts.ca.gov</a> Or visit the court's website at <a href="http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/adr">http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/adr</a>

# What Are The Advantages Of Using ADR?

- Faster -Litigation can take years to complete but ADR usually takes weeks or months.
- Cheaper Parties can save on attorneys' fees and litigation costs.
- More control and flexibility Parties choose the ADR process appropriate for their case.
- Cooperative and less stressful In mediation, parties cooperate to find a mutually agreeable resolution.
- Preserve Relationships A mediator can help you effectively communicate your
  interests and point of view to the other side. This is an important benefit when you want
  to preserve a relationship.

# What Is The Disadvantage Of Using ADR?

• You may go to court anyway – If you cannot resolve your dispute using ADR, you may still have to spend time and money resolving your lawsuit through the courts.

# What ADR Options Are Available?

- Mediation A neutral person (mediator) helps the parties communicate, clarify facts, identify legal issues, explore settlement options, and agree on a solution that is acceptable to all sides.
  - O **Court Mediation Program**: Mediators do not charge fees for the first two hours of mediation. If parties need more time, they must pay the mediator's regular fees.

Some mediators ask for a deposit before mediation starts which is subject to a refund for unused time.

- O **Private Mediation**: This is mediation where the parties pay the mediator's regular fees and may choose a mediator outside the court's panel.
- Arbitration A neutral person (arbitrator) hears arguments and evidence from each side
  and then decides the outcome of the dispute. Arbitration is less formal than a trial and the
  rules of evidence are often relaxed. Arbitration is effective when the parties want
  someone other than themselves to decide the outcome.
  - O **Judicial Arbitration Program** (non-binding): The judge can refer a case or the parties can agree to use judicial arbitration. The parties select an arbitrator from a list provided by the court. If the parties cannot agree on an arbitrator, one will be assigned by the court. There is no fee for the arbitrator. The arbitrator must send the decision (award of the arbitrator) to the court. The parties have the right to reject the award and proceed to trial.
  - O **Private Arbitration** (binding and non-binding) occurs when parties involved in a dispute either agree or are contractually obligated. This option takes place outside of the courts and is normally binding meaning the arbitrator's decision is final.

# Mediation Service Programs In Alameda County

Low cost mediation services are available through non-profit community organizations. Trained volunteer mediators provide these services. Contact the following organizations for more information:

# **SEEDS Community Resolution Center**

2530 San Pablo Avenue, Suite A, Berkeley, CA 94702-1612 Telephone: (510) 548-2377 Website: www.seedscrc.org

Their mission is to provide mediation, facilitation, training and education programs in our diverse communities – **S**ervices that **E**ncourage **E**ffective **D**ialogue and **S**olution-making.

# **Center for Community Dispute Settlement**

291 McLeod Street, Livermore, CA 94550

Telephone: (925) 373-1035 Website: www.trivalleymediation.com CCDS provides services in the Tri-Valley area for all of Alameda County.

For Victim/Offender Restorative Justice Services

Catholic Charities of the East Bay: Oakland

433 Jefferson Street, Oakland, CA 94607

Telephone: (510) 768-3100 Website: www.cceb.org

Mediation sessions involve the youth, victim, and family members work toward a mutually agreeable restitution agreement.

|          |                                                                                 |                                                                                | ALA ADR-001                                                           |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ATT      | ORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNE                                                  | Y (Name, State Bar number, and address)                                        | FOR COURT USE ONLY                                                    |
|          |                                                                                 |                                                                                |                                                                       |
|          | TELEPHONE NO.:<br>E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional):                                    | FAX NO. (Optional).                                                            |                                                                       |
| İ        | ATTORNEY FOR (Name):                                                            |                                                                                |                                                                       |
| SU       | PERIOR COURT OF CALIFOR                                                         | NIA, ALAMEDA COUNTY                                                            |                                                                       |
|          | STREET ADDRESS:<br>MAILING ADDRESS:                                             |                                                                                |                                                                       |
|          | CITY AND ZIP CODE:                                                              |                                                                                |                                                                       |
| <u> </u> | BRANCH NAME                                                                     |                                                                                |                                                                       |
| PL       | AINTIFF/PETITIONER:                                                             |                                                                                |                                                                       |
| DE       | FENDANT/RESPONDENT:                                                             |                                                                                |                                                                       |
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|          |                                                                                 | ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RES<br>MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE                               |                                                                       |
|          | INSTRUCTIONS: A                                                                 | all applicable boxes must be chec                                              | ked, and the specified information must be provided.                  |
|          | This stipulation is effective                                                   | when:                                                                          |                                                                       |
|          | All parties have signed                                                         | and filed this stipulation with the C                                          | ise Management Conference Statement at least 15 days before the       |
|          | initial case manageme                                                           | nt conference.<br>on has been received by the ADR P                            | ogram Administrator, 24405 Amador Street, Hayward, CA 94544 or        |
| 1.       | Date complaint filed:                                                           | An Initial                                                                     | Case Management Conference is scheduled for:                          |
|          | Date:                                                                           | Time:                                                                          | Department:                                                           |
| 2.       | Counsel and all parties cert                                                    | ify they have met and conferred an                                             | I have selected the following ADR process (check one):                |
|          | Court mediation                                                                 | ☐ Judicial arbitration                                                         |                                                                       |
|          | ☐ Private mediation                                                             | ☐ Private arbitration                                                          | ,                                                                     |
| 3.       | All parties agree to complet                                                    | e ADR within 90 days and certify th                                            | at:                                                                   |
|          | a. No party to the case ha                                                      | as requested a complex civil litigation                                        | n determination hearing;                                              |
|          | <ul><li>b. All parties have been s</li><li>c. All parties have agreed</li></ul> | erved and intend to submit to the ju<br>to a specific plan for sufficient disc | nscilction of the court;<br>overy to make the ADR process meaningful; |
|          | d. Copies of this stipulation                                                   | n and self-addressed stamped env                                               | elopes are provided for returning endorsed filed stamped copies to    |
|          | counsel and all parties; e. Case management stat                                | tements are submitted with this stip                                           | llation:                                                              |
|          | <li>f. All parties will attend Al</li>                                          | DR conferences; and,                                                           |                                                                       |
|          | g. The court will not allow                                                     | more than 90 days to complete AD                                               | R.                                                                    |
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# **EXHIBIT B**



**Corporate Creations Network Inc.** 

801 US Highway 1 North Palm Beach, FL 33408

Virtusa Corporation Sandor Bocsi Virtusa Corporation 132 Turnpike Road Suite 300 Southborough MA 01772 11/04/2022

Item: 2022-5

# SERVICE OF PROCESS NOTICE

The following is a courtesy summary of the enclosed document(s). ALL information should be verified by you.

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| 1.  | Entity Served:                                       | Virtusa Corporation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |
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| 2.  | Title of Action:                                     | Kirill Razzhigaev and Igor Shmakov vs. Etouch Systems Corp., Virtusa Corporation, et al.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |
| 3.  | Document(s) Served:                                  | Summons Complaint for Damages Civil Case Cover Sheet Civil Case Cover Sheet Addendum                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |
| 4.  | Court/Agency:                                        | Alameda County Superior Court                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |
| 5.  | State Served:                                        | California                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |
| 6.  | Case Number:                                         | 22CV020604                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |
| 7.  | Case Type:                                           | Failure to Pay Overtime Wages                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |
| 8.  | Method of Service:                                   | Hand Delivered                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |
| 9.  | Date Received:                                       | Thursday 11/03/2022                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |
| 10. | Date to Client:                                      | Friday 11/04/2022                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |
| 11. | # Days When Answer Due:<br>Answer Due Date:          | 30 Saturday 12/03/2022  CAUTION: Client is solely responsible for verifying the accuracy of the estimated Answer Due Date. To avoid missing a crucial deadline, we recommend immediately confirming in writing with opposing counsel that the date of the service in their records matches the Date Received. |  |
| 12. | Sop Sender:<br>(Name, City, State, and Phone Number) | Alexei Kuchinsky<br>San Francisco, CA<br>628-200-0902                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |
| 13. | Shipped To Client By:                                | Email Only with PDF Link                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |
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| 15. | Handled By:                                          | 051                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |
| 16. | Notes:                                               | Also Attached:  * Notice of Case Assignment  * Notice of Case Assignment Conference  * Certificate of Mailing, etc.                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |

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# **EXHIBIT C**

| 1 2 | Timothy L. Reed, CA Bar No. 258034 timothy.reed@ogletree.com Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C.        |                                                              |                        |  |  |  |
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| 3 4 | One Embarcadero Center, Suite 900<br>San Francisco, CA 94111<br>Telephone: 415-442-4810<br>Facsimile: 415-442-4870 |                                                              |                        |  |  |  |
| 5   | Attorneys for Defendants ETOUCH SYSTEMS                                                                            |                                                              |                        |  |  |  |
| 6   | CORP. and VIRTUSA CORPORATION                                                                                      |                                                              |                        |  |  |  |
| 7   |                                                                                                                    |                                                              |                        |  |  |  |
| 8   | SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA                                                                          |                                                              |                        |  |  |  |
| 9   | FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA                                                                                          |                                                              |                        |  |  |  |
| 10  | RENE C. DAVIDSON COURTHOUSE                                                                                        |                                                              |                        |  |  |  |
| 11  | KIRILL RAZZHIGAEV and IGOR SHMAKOV                                                                                 | Case No. 22CV020604                                          |                        |  |  |  |
| 12  | Plaintiffs,                                                                                                        | [Assigned for all purposes to The Honorable                  |                        |  |  |  |
| 13  | vs.                                                                                                                | Patrick McKenney, Dept. 15]                                  |                        |  |  |  |
| 14  | ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP., VIRTUSA                                                                                      | DEFENDANTS ETOUCH SYSTEMS<br>CORP. AND VIRTUSA CORPORATION'S |                        |  |  |  |
| 15  | CORPORATION, and DOES 1 through 10,                                                                                | ANSWER TO CO                                                 |                        |  |  |  |
| 16  | Defendants.                                                                                                        | Action Filed:<br>Trial Date:                                 | 10/26/2022<br>None set |  |  |  |
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DEFENDANTS ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP. AND VIRTUSA CORPORATION'S ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

Case No. 22CV020604

| 1                                                              | Defendants ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP. and VIRTUSA CORPORATION ("Defendants"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |  |
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| 2                                                              | hereby answer the unverified Complaint ("Complaint") filed by KIRILL RAZZHIGAEV and                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |  |
| 3                                                              | IGOR SHMAKOV ("Plaintiffs") as follows:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |
| 4                                                              | GENERAL DENIAL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |  |
| 5                                                              | 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 431.30(d) of the California Code of Civil                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |
| 6                                                              | Procedure, Defendants deny generally and specifically each and every allegation contained in the                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |
| 7                                                              | Complaint, and the whole thereof, and further deny that Plaintiffs have sustained damages in the                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |
| 8                                                              | sum or manner alleged, or in any other sum or manner whatsoever.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |
| 9                                                              | 2. Additionally, without admitting that it carries the burden of proof as to any of the                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |
| 10                                                             | issues raised thereby, Defendants assert the following separate and independent defenses and prays                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |
| 11                                                             | for judgment as set forth below and further gives notice that it intends to rely upon such other and                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |  |
| 12                                                             | further defenses as may become available during discovery in this action and reserves the right to                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |
| 13                                                             | amend their Answer to assert any such defenses:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |  |
| 14                                                             | <u>AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |  |
| 15                                                             | FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |  |
| 16                                                             | (After-Acquired Evidence)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |  |
|                                                                | 1. The Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein, is barred, or any                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |
| [7]                                                            | 1. The Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein, is barred, or any                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |
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| 18<br>19<br>20<br>21                                           | damages reduced, by after-acquired evidence.  SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE  (Failure to State a Cause of Action)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |  |
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| 18<br>19<br>20<br>21<br>22<br>23<br>24<br>25<br>26             | damages reduced, by after-acquired evidence.  SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE  (Failure to State a Cause of Action)  2. The Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action for which relief may be granted.  THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE  (Unclean Hands)  3. Defendants allege, on information and belief, that the Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein, is barred by the doctrine of unclean hands. |  |  |

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# FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (Failure to Mitigate Damages)

4. Plaintiffs failed to take reasonable steps and make reasonable expenditures to reduce Plaintiffs' claims, damages, losses, if any, and that said failure to mitigate Plaintiffs' damages bars or reduces any claims, losses, or damages.

# FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (No Liability For Hours That Are Not Working Time)

5. The Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein, is barred to the extent that the hours for which Plaintiffs claim compensation are not working time under California state law, including the applicable California Industrial Welfare Commission Wage Orders.

# SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (No Willful Failure To Pay)

The damages and penalties sought by the Complaint are barred, including but not 6. limited to, penalties awarded under California Labor Code Section 203 and the applicable IWC Wage Order, because, at all relevant times, Defendants did not willfully, knowingly or intentionally fail to comply with the compensation provisions of the California Labor Code or any other law related to the matters alleged in the Complaint, but rather acted in good faith and had reasonable believing that it did not violate those provisions.

# SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (Statute of Limitations)

7. The Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein, is barred by the applicable statute of limitations, including, but not limited to California Code of Civil Procedure Sections 338 and 340; California Business and Professions Code Section 17208; and 29 U.S.C. § 255.

# EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (De Minimus)

8. The Complaint is barred, in whole or in part, because some or all of the time for which compensation is sought is *de minimus* and therefore is not compensable.

| 1  | NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE                                                                           |  |  |  |
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| 2  | (Laches)                                                                                            |  |  |  |
| 3  | 9. The Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein, is barred by the              |  |  |  |
| 4  | doctrine of laches.                                                                                 |  |  |  |
| 5  | TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE                                                                           |  |  |  |
| 6  | (Reimbursement)                                                                                     |  |  |  |
| 7  | 10. Defendants allege that any reimbursement, from whatever source, to Plaintiffs of                |  |  |  |
| 8  | the damages alleged must be applied against any liability of Defendant.                             |  |  |  |
| 9  | ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE                                                                        |  |  |  |
| 10 | (Reasonable Good Faith Reliance)                                                                    |  |  |  |
| 11 | 11. Any recovery of allegedly unpaid wages is barred because Defendants reasonably                  |  |  |  |
| 12 | relied on the accuracy of the time reporting information provided by Plaintiffs and properly paid   |  |  |  |
| 13 | Plaintiffs accurate wages for all such time. At all relevant times, Defendants did not willfully,   |  |  |  |
| 14 | knowingly, or intentionally fail to comply with any provision of the California Labor Code or       |  |  |  |
| 15 | federal law, but rather acted in good faith in their acts and omissions and had reasonable grounds  |  |  |  |
| 16 | for believing that they did not violate those provisions.                                           |  |  |  |
| 17 | TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE                                                                         |  |  |  |
| 18 | (Waiver)                                                                                            |  |  |  |
| 19 | 12. The Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein, is barred by                 |  |  |  |
| 20 | Plaintiffs' waiver.                                                                                 |  |  |  |
| 21 | THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE                                                                      |  |  |  |
| 22 | (Properly Classified as Exempt)                                                                     |  |  |  |
| 23 | 13. Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, because Plaintiffs were properly            |  |  |  |
| 24 | classified as an exempt employees.                                                                  |  |  |  |
| 25 | FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE                                                                      |  |  |  |
| 26 | (Good Faith Belief / Privilege)                                                                     |  |  |  |
| 27 | 14. Defendants are informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' Complaint             |  |  |  |
| 28 | is barred in whole or in part because actions taken with respect to Plaintiffs' employment, if any, |  |  |  |
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were based on an honest, reasonable, good faith belief in the facts known and understood at the time. Further, Defendants' conduct with regard to Plaintiffs was privileged, justified, and in good faith and Defendants allege that they are entitled to all privileges available to Defendants to the extent provided by the California Civil Code.

# FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (No Overtime)

15. Although Defendants deny that they misclassified Plaintiffs as exempt employees, to the extent Plaintiffs are found to be non-exempt employees, the Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein, is barred on the ground that to the extent Plaintiffs did work any overtime, which Defendants deny, such work was not authorized by Defendants and performed without Defendants' knowledge.

# SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (Released Claims)

16. The Complaint and each purported cause of action alleged therein are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent Plaintiffs and/or their agents have released any of their purported causes of action against Defendants.

# **SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

# (Unconstitutionality Of Penalties)

17. The Complaint, and each and every cause of action alleged therein, is barred in that Plaintiffs are not entitled to recover any punitive or penal damages, such as those Plaintiffs seek under California Labor Code Sections 203 and 210 and 29 U.S.C. 216(b), and any award of such penalties or damages would, in general or under the facts of Plaintiffs' particular claims, violate Defendants' constitutional rights under the provisions of the United States and California Constitutions.

# **EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

# (No Wages Owed)

18. The claims alleged in the Complaint are barred, in whole or in part, because Plaintiffs were provided timely, proper, and complete payment of all wages due.

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# **NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

# (Adequate Remedy at Law)

19. The cause of action under California Business and Professions Code Sections 17200, *et seq.*, as well as any other request for equitable relief, is barred because Plaintiffs have an adequate and complete remedy at law.

# TWENTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (Lack Standing)

20. Plaintiffs lack standing to bring a cause of action based on California Business and Professions Code Sections 17200, *et seq.* because they have not suffered any injury in fact and have not lost money or property as a result of the alleged unfair competition by Defendants.

# TWENTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (Setoff, Offset, and/or Recoupment)

21. As a separate and affirmative defense to the Complaint and to each cause of action alleged therein, Defendants allege that, if any damages have been sustained by Plaintiffs, although such is specifically denied, Defendants are entitled under the equitable doctrine of setoff and recoupment to offset all extra payments and/or overpayments and/or all obligations of Plaintiffs owed to Defendants against any judgment that may be entered against Defendants.

# TWENTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (Speculative Damages)

22. Plaintiffs cannot recover any of the damages alleged in the Complaint because such damages, if any, are too speculative to be recoverable at law.

# TWENTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

# (California Business and Professions Code § 17200, et seq. Recovery Unconstitutional)

23. Any finding of liability pursuant to California Business and Professions Code Section 17200, *et seq.* would violate the Due Process and Equal Protection clauses of the United States and California Constitutions because the applicable standards of liability are unduly vague and subjective, and permit retroactive, random, arbitrary, and capricious punishment that serves no legitimate governmental interest.

# 1 TWENTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 2 (Right to Amend Answer) 3 24. Defendants reserve their right to amend their answer herein, including the addition 4 of affirmative defenses, after pleading and discovery in preparation for trial. 5 PRAYER FOR RELIEF 6 WHEREFORE, Defendants pray for judgment as follows: 7 1. That Plaintiffs take nothing by way of the Complaint; 8 2. That judgment be entered against Plaintiffs and in favor of Defendants on all causes 9 of action; 10 3. That Defendants be awarded attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein; and 11 4. That Defendants be awarded such other and further relief as the Court may deem 12 just and proper. 13 DATED: December 5, 2022 14 OGLETREE, DEAKINS, NASH, SMOAK & STEWART, P.C. 15 16 17 18 Attorneys for Defendants ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP. and VIRTUSA CORPORATION 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

#### 1 PROOF OF SERVICE Kirill Razzhigaev and Igor Shmakov v. eTouch Systems Corp. et al. 2 Case No. 22CV020604 3 I am and was at all times herein mentioned over the age of 18 years and not a party to the action in which this service is made. At all times herein mentioned I have been employed in the 4 County of San Francisco in the office of a member of the bar of this court at whose direction the service was made. My business address is One Embarcadero Center, Suite 900, San Francisco, CA 5 94111. 6 On December 5, 2022, I served the following document(s): 7 DEFENDANTS ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP. AND VIRTUSA CORPORATION'S 8 ANSWER TO COMPLAINT 9 on the person(s) below by the method(s) indicated: 10 Alexei Kuchinsky, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiffs 11 KUCHINSKY LAW OFFICE, P.C. Kirill Razzhigaev and Igor Shmakov 220 Montgomery Street, Suite 2200 12 San Francisco, CA 94104 628-200-0902 Tel: 13 Fax: 628-200-0907 Email: ak@kuchinskylawoffice.com 14 $\boxtimes$ **BY MAIL:** I caused such envelope to be placed for collection and mailing, following our 15 ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with the practice of Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C.'s practice for collecting and processing correspondence for 16 mailing. On the same day that correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is 17 deposited in the ordinary course of business with the United States Postal Service, in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid. 18 BY E-MAIL OR ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION: By electronically transmitting the 19 document(s) listed above to the email address(es) of the person(s) set forth on the attached service list from the email address linda.lingren@ogletree.com. I did not receive, within a 20 reasonable time after the transmission, any electronic message or other indication that the 21 transmission was unsuccessful. Service by e-mail was made pursuant to agreement of the parties, confirmed in writing, or $\boxtimes$ as an additional method of service as a courtesy to 22 the parties or pursuant to Court Order. See Cal. R. Ct. R. 2.260. 23 **BY HAND SERVICE:** I personally handed copies of the attached to the attorney(s) listed above. 24 **BY MESSENGER:** I caused the document(s) to be personally served by placing the 25 document(s) in (a) sealed envelope(s) to be hand-delivered by same-day messenger service 26 to the above addressee(s). 27 $\boxtimes$ (State) I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct. 28

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#### 1 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 2 State of California, County of San Francisco 3 I am employed in the County of San Francisco, State of California; I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action. My business address is One Embarcadero Center, Suite 900, 4 San Francisco, CA 94111. 5 On December 5, 2022, I served the following document(s) described as: 6 DEFENDANTS ETOUCH SYSTEMS CORP. AND VIRTUSA CORPORATION'S NOTICE OF REMOVAL UNDER 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1441 (FEDERAL QUESTION) 7 With the Clerk of the United States District Court of Northern District of California, using 8 the CM/ECF System. The Court's CM/ECF System will send an e-mail notification of the foregoing filing to the following parties and counsel of record who are registered with the 9 Court's CM/ECF System. 10 BY E-MAIL OR ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION: By electronically transmitting the 11 document(s) listed above to the email address(es) of the person(s) set forth on the attached service list from the email address linda.lingren@ogletree.com. I did not receive, within a 12 reasonable time after the transmission, any electronic message or other indication that the transmission was unsuccessful. 13 X **BY U.S. MAIL:** Placed the envelope or package for collection and mailing, following our 14 ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with this business's practice for collecting 15 and processing correspondence for mailing. On the same day that correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is deposited in the ordinary course of business with the United 16 States Postal Service, in a sealed envelope or package with postage fully prepaid. 17 I am employed in the county where the mailing occurred. The envelope or package was placed in the mail at San Francisco, California. 18 Attorneys for Plaintiffs 19 Alexei Kuchinsky, Esq. Kirill Razzhigaev and Igor Shmakov KUCHINSKY LAW OFFICE, P.C. 20 220 Montgomery Street, Suite 2200 San Francisco, CA 94104 Tel: 628-200-0902 21 Fax: 628-200-0907 Email: ak@kuchinskylawoffice.com 22 23 $\boxtimes$ (Federal) I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the Bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made. I declare under penalty of 24 perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the above is true and correct. 25 26 Executed on December 5, 2022, at San Francisco, CA. 27 /s/Linda Lingren 28 Linda Lingren 54004984.v1-OGLETREE